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1. AMBASSADOR MARSHALL, IN CAPACITY AS SPECIAL US

REPRESENTATIVE TO SEYCHELLES' INDEPENDENCE CELEBRATIONS,

PAID OFFICIAL CALL JUNE 30 ON SEYCHELLES PRESIDENT

JAMES MANCHAM. AMBASSADOR MARSHALL DELIVERED INDE-

PENDENCE MESSAGE FROM PRESIDENT FORD WHICH WAS WARMLY

RECEIVED BY MANCHAM WHO SAID HE WOULD REPLY VIA CON-

SULATE. AMBASSADOR ALSO PRESENTED MANCHAM WITH LIST

OF BOOKS WHICH WILL BE PROVIDED TO SEYCHELLES AS US

INDEPENDENCE GIFT. MANCHAM EXPRESSED APPRECIATION

FOR GIFT SAYING THAT BOOKS FILL REAL NEED AND WILL

BE PUT TO GOOD USE.

2. MANCHAM, ADMITTING FINAL EXHAUSTION AFTER

WEEK OF ROUND-THE-CLOCK OFFICIAL DUTIES, TOLD

AMBASSADOR HE INTENDS PLAY MINOR ROLE IN OAU AFFAIRS.

HE ADDED HE WOULD BE INTERESTED IN ORGANIZATION ONLY IF HE

WERE RUNNING FOR POSITION OF SECGEN (SIC), WHICH HE SAID HE

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IS NOT. IN RESPONSE TO QUESTION ON PLANS FOR SEYCHELLES DIP-

LOMATIC REPRESENTATION ABROAD, MANCHAM SAID HE WOULD LIKE TO OPEN EMBASSIES IN FRANCE AND US (LATTER ALSO COVERING UN) BUT FINANCIAL CONSTRAINTS RENDER THIS DIFFICULT AT PRESENT TIME. (COMMENT: ACCORDING GOS SOURCE, SEYCHELLES WILL PROBABLY OPEN POSTS IN FRANCE AND AUSTRALIA LATER THIS YEAR AND COVER US AND UN FROM LONDON WHERE SEYCHELLES ONLY DIPLOMATIC MISSION LOCATED.)

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